

# THE TOKEN HUNTER



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Dedicated to the collection, recording and preservation of tokens and medals

## NEXT MEETING

THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE THE CHRISTMAS DINNER PARTY AT SEAMAN JAMES BARTLEY.

DETAILS ARE ENCLOSED IN THIS TOKEN HUNTER. BE SURE TO MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS

NOW. THERE WILL BE PLENTY OF ITEMS BEING GIVEN AWAY; TOKENS, GOLD, AND SILVER!!!

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Any news, views or information you would like to share? Give someone a call. If you are interested in placing an ad, call Ross or Laura.





# PRESIDENT'S PAGE

I want to thank everyone for what they have done for the club this year. Above all, I want to thank our editors, Ross and Laura Seely. I feel that they have had the most time consuming and important job in the club. I want to thank George Wilson for his support and advise; his experience was extremely helpful this year. I want to thank Glen and Robin Sidwell, they have been real catalysts in the club; Glen kept me going when I needed a kick in the pants. I guess one of the most thankless jobs in the club is the Treasurer, and Mary Moulton has been conscientious and reliable. And last but not least, we have had some of the best "digs" this year that I know of for which I want to thank Bryan Moulton, Eric Jameson, and Bill Turpela.

I hear that at our December dinner we will have a lot to give away; gold coins, silver pieces and trade tokens. Everyone who attends, I hear, will take home something. I went to my first Christmas dinner last year and I remember it as one of the highlights of that year. My wife and I both had a wonderful time.

I am looking forward to this next year's club digs. Now that I have a four-wheel-drive I plan on getting out to a number of ghost towns, hopefully for a couple days at a time, if I can get away from the kids for that long.

I wish everyone luck in the coming year.

-John Sroka

# N.U.T.S CHRISTMAS PARTY

•PRIZES•AWARDS•DRAWINGS•DINNING•FUN STUFF•

TUESDAY, DEC. 29<sup>TH</sup>  
7 P.M.

SEAMAN JAMES BARTLEY  
1118 E FT. UNION BLVD.

## DINNER MENU

CHOOSE FROM:

- HALABIT STEAK
- DEEP FRIED SHRIMP
- CHICKEN CORDON BLEU
- 8oz. NEW YORK STEAK

SOUP OR SALAD  
BEVERAGE  
SHERBERT

TOKENS!  
SILVER!!  
GOLD!!!

GIVEN AWAY

\$ \$ \$  
\$ \$ \$

ONLY  
\$9.90 PER PERSON

★ TAX & TIP INCLUDED

NUTS Christmas party is scheduled for Tuesday, December 29th, at 7:00 PM  
Once again it will be held at Seaman James Bartleys. This is in the Fort  
Union Mall in the rear. - plenty of free parking is available.

A wide variety of tokens and some beautiful silver and gold pieces are  
included in giveaways. The new board will be introduced and awards will  
be given in recognition of outstanding members.

NUTS Christmas parties are always a lot of fun - so plan on attending. While  
it is not necessary to pay in advance - we do need to know the number of  
people who plan on attending in advance. Please call Mary Moulton at 964-2515  
or Laura Seely at 262-2165 or 261-2300 if you plan on attending.



# FROM THE WAGONMASTERS

By Eric Jameson

This wraps up another good year of happy token hunting for us NUTS. Frisco, our ever popular dig, proved to be a good location for another year, despite flat tires. Fish Springs added a bottle and some coins to our collections. Joy did not bring much "joy", but it was a nice new place to see - once.

We now have a new year ahead of us, with several interesting possibilities. President's day is coming up in February, and this may be a good time to visit Gold Strike near St. George before it is covered by mine tailings (Tenneco is to start operations next summer). Perhaps our Southern Utah chapter can check into the possibility of going out there.

The Dugway range, near Fish Springs, has several mining camps near its north end that may be worth looking at.

Another new area is along the Utah-Idaho border,

A good four day trip has been proposed for Eastern Nevada. Let's hear some comments on this one.

Get your suggestions in to the new Wagonmasters as soon as possible for the new year.

P.S. I would like to make a suggestion that we all try to meet at the usual time of 8:30-8:45 at the Multipurpose Center when we start on the field trips. On some trips this year it turned out to be everyone for themselves.

## RAFFLE!

AT THE CHRISTMAS PARTY  
SEVERAL VALUABLES  
WILL BE GIVEN AWAY.  
ACCORDING TO THE  
WAGONMASTERS NO ONE  
SHOULD GO HOME EMPTY  
HANDED.

THERE WILL BE TOKENS,  
SILVER, AND A COUPLE  
OF GOLD ITEMS!

HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL  
AT THE CHRISTMAS  
PARTY.

# --OUTING NEWS--

## AN OLD TOWN IN UTAH

In the middle of October - three club members decided to meet in this very old town. Bryan Moulton, Glen Sidwell, and myself from Las Vegas, met there. After doing a lot of research on this place we knew the town had a lot of saloons, bars, hotels, and stores and a good population before the turn of the century and after. This worked- over town paid off. Many after the century wheat heads and early mercury dimes were found. Probably lost by the people that stayed in town.

Finding where the old part of town was; we all did well. Glen found a 2¢ piece 1864 and an 1899 dime. Bryan found a token from the W.R. Clark Drugstore. I finally found a token, Dowell and Enos worth \$1.00 in trade, a 1914 & 1907 dime, an 1897 Indian penny and a 1908S Indian penny.

Since this town isn't too far from most of the members, maybe we can meet there again.

-THE OUTSIDER.  
John Nutting





# NEWS FROM LAST MONTH

By Robin Sidwell

George Wilson conducted the November meeting, filling in for John Sroka who was absent due to illness - get well soon John.

Plans for the NUTS Christmas dinner were discussed. The party will be December 29, 1987, at 7:00 PM. The food and company will be wonderful and the prizes and awards are really great this year. There is more information in this issue about the gala event so please check it out and plan on attending.

George awarded the 1978 officers pewter casts of the NUTS medal. These are beautiful and as only several are made in pewter before the cast is destroyed. The pewter medals are given away to officers as an incentive for members to become involved in the governing board, but also to thank outgoing officers for their dedicated services.

Special thanks to Gary Weeks who was kind enough to share his expertise in token and coin operated gambling, and vending machines. Gary shared a lot of information and stories with us. He has researched the history of these machines well and written several books about gambling machines and treasure hunting.

## NOVEMBER WINNERS

The winners of the drawing held at the November meeting are as follows:

1 ounce of silver - Frank Sommer

Mills & Campbell 25¢ in trade -  
Carol Higley

2 tokens - Eric Jameson

Mitchell's 5¢ in trade - Bryan  
Moulton

Magna Lunch Room 5¢ - George Wilson

Copper King Pool Hall - Deb  
Sorenson

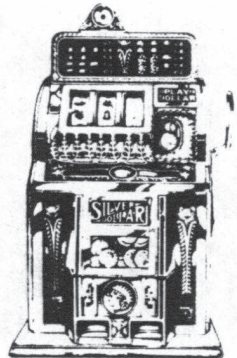
H&M store worth 5¢ in trade - Bob  
Campbell



# THE MARKETPLACE

## GREAT BASIN COLLECTOR'S GALLERY

Clark Phelps  
Salt Lake City, Utah  
355-1394



### Items of Interest...

- Old Slot Machines
  - Gambling Items
  - Saloon Collectibles
  - Utah Historical Items
  - Country Store Items
  - Cowboy & Indian Stuff
  - Pre 1930 Advertising
  - Tobacco Collectibles
  - Railroad & Mining Items
  - Western Firearms
  - Antique Coin Machines
  - Whiskey & Beer Collectibles
  - Toys
  - Antique Mechanical Things
- RUSTY GUNS

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